

Governor Galusha House
South Shaftsbury, Vermont

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GOVERNOR GALUSHA HOUSE
South Shaftsbury, Bennington County, Vermont

<u>Owner</u>	Pearl J. Harrington South Shaftsbury Vermont												
<u>Date of Erection</u>	About 1810												
<u>Architect</u>	Unknown												
<u>Builder</u>	Jonas Galusha												
<u>Present Condition</u>	This building is in excellent condition at the present time. Rear ell not original. Front stairs, risers, treads and balusters are all curly Maple, beautiful color. All floors are of 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " to 7" selected boards in perfect shape.												
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<u>Number of stories</u>	Two												

ADDITIONAL DATA

This building was erected about the year of 1810. The Architect is believed to be Lavius Fillmore, (this statement could not be verified). The House was built by Jonas Galusha and he lived here

while he was Governor of the State of Vermont which time was during the war of 1812.

In 1814 he turned the house into a tavern, but restored it in its original condition a year or two after.

Governor Galusha was a nail maker and made all the nails and other hardware that was used in building this house.

There is one bedroom on the south-^Weast of this house where the walls have been painted, decorations which was done by a French Artist (name unknown) for his lodging.

When the house was erected there ~~were~~ fireplaces in nearly every room but there ~~are~~ only two at the present time.

This house is now owned and occupied by Pearl J. Harrington who is a Grandson of the late Governor Galusha. Mr. Harrington is keeping the house in excellent condition, both exterior and interior.

Approved: Arthur H. Smith.
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